A Record of Memorial Day Observances From Maine to Oregon.

A NATIONAL TRIBUTE.

Scenes Without a Parallel in the Country's History.

In the present issue of THE TRIBUNE we are found it impracticable in some cases to print some instances we have had several reports from the same Posts-but we have also drawn liberally from the accounts printed men's souls. celebration of the day was much more imtemporary pleasure. Another year, we trust, day's observance. the events described had taken place,

#### MAINE.

Comrade J. E. Sprague writes us as follows: Memorial Day was observed by Knowles Post. to thank the people of Stetson for the bountiful | benediction by Rev. J. C. Emery. dinner which was served, and for the interest shown by the citizens generally.

Post here met at its hall and made a detail to soldiers, and the graves of comrades-274 in decorate graves outside of the cemetery. The number-marked by flags and crowned with commundes then marched to the cemetery at 9 wreath of evergreens. Services of prayer, with e'clock and decorated the graves, after which | brief addresses by comrades, accompanied the we had an eration by the Rev. Charles Turner. | ceremony. In the afternoon a procession con-It was a very able discourse. We then marched sisting of a detachment of police, with the City back to the hall, where we had a splendid din- band, the Major White Drum corps, the City ner, prepared by the Post ladies and their Guard, Major How Post, No. 47, J. Kendell friends in the village. After dinner we went Jenness Camp of Sons of Veterans, with full by invitation to Kennebunk and helped the ranks; the cith government and invited guests, commudes there decorate. In the evening there | moved through the principal streets of Haverbill was a lecture at the hall by Col. Stone.

Comrade E. T. Getchell, Brunswick, Maine, writes us that Mountfort Post. No. 22, of that place, observed Memorial Day in a proper mannor. The cometeries were visited and the graves decorated, the citizens joining with the veter- K. Tarbox, of Lawrence. ans. In the evening the Post marched to Lamont Hall, where a prayer was offered by Rev.

C. Russell delivered the oration.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

At Rechester, N. H., Memorial Day services were conducted by Carlton Post, No. 24, in an appropriate manner. The Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, are department and school children. and the Young American and cornet bands took part is the celebration. After the decoration of the graves, prayer was offered by Rev. D. H. Adams, followed by singing by the choir. Orations were delivered by A. E. Tuttle, C. G. Ham, Geo. W. Fernald, E. F. Cloutman, Esq., E. H. Shannon, J. F. Safford and G. V. Card.

## VERMONT.

citizens to the number of some 250 in carriages, visited being the Eastern and Western burial and proceeded to the cemetery, nearly two miles grounds and Pine Grove cemetery. There distant. We were then formed by Comrade C. L. Erwin, marshal of the day, in a bollow Past Department Commander Patch as orator. square around the graves of dead comrades. The exercises at the cometery were prayer by Rev. S. W. Cowell and singing by several comrades. The graves were decorated by comrades and Sabbath-school children, after which the procession returned to the village and assemuled in the Baptist church, where an orstion was delivered by Hon, O. H. Austin, of Barron, Vt. Memorial services, Sabbathday, May, 27th. was observed here by a sermon by Rev. S. W. Cowell. The Post attended in a body.

Cemrade H. H. Tilley writes us as follows: Ricmorial services were appropriately observed The different cemeteries in and about town were visited by detechments of comrades in the forenoon. At 1:30 p. m. a line was formed in front of G. A. R. ball, headed by the Hinesburgh Cornet band, and the line of march taken up the main street to the Hinesburgh cometery and return. When the point of starting was gained, the boys were halted in front of the speaker's stand, which was occupied by the address, which was received with attention

Comrade P. Bean, Warren, writes us as follows: We observed Memorial Day here, Ainsworth Post joining with Eldredge Post. Mrs. E. A. Eldredge presented our Post with a new flag, which was gladly accepted. After decoration services were held in the church. Many could not gain admission. Business was generally suspended, and everybody in town seemed to be present at the entertainment. An oration was delivered by Hon, Frank Plumley, of Northfield, and a poem was read by Mr. Dor. Knelan, of Waitsfield. The decoration of the monument was conducted by Mrs. Orvil Richardson.

At Bristol, Vt., Comstock Post observed Memorial Day with becoming ceremonies. In the morning the Post, accompanied by drum corps, the children of the Sabbath and graded schools, and invited guests and citizens, marched to the cometery and decorated the soldiers' graves. In the afternoon a memorial meeting was held, and after G. A. R. services by the Post, Commainder George P. Whalen introduced the Hon. Walter C. Duncan, of Rutland, who delivered an appropriate address.

Comrade Zira Elloitt, P. C., Lincoln, Vt. writes us that Garfield Post, No. 62, of that place, observed Memorial Day by carrying out Bergin, of Starkshoro', delivered an appropriate oration. Comrade Elliott has been apof Veterans.

Comrade M. P. Kent, of Hall Post, No. 39, of | oration. Worcester, Vt., writes us as follows: Memorial Day was fully observed here. Stowe Post, of Callas, but recently organized, uniting with us on that day. The services were well performed. Rev. D. E. Miller, of Montpelier, delivered an excellent address. Singing was in-

terspersed throughout the exercises. Memorial Day was duly observed at Rinton.

vate citizens, Rev. Mr. Patten delivering an address. A G. A. R. Post is shortly to be estab-

The memorial sermon at Brandon, Vt., the Sumlay preceding Memorial Day was delivered by the Rev. W. Rice.

#### MASSACHUSETTS.

Comrade Sidney Sibley writes us as follows: Memorial Day was a perfect day, and E. V. Sumner Post, No. 19, Fitchburg, Mass., improved it in a manner creditable to the Post and satisfactory to the citizens .- a larger number turning out in the procession in the afternoon than ever appeared on a similar occasion. and the citizens seemed to take a greater interest. Both of the military companies served as an escort. The oration of Rev. W. H. Pierson, of Fitchburg, was a splendid effort and was well received by the boys. The singing by able to give a fuller and more detailed report | scholars of the High School and music of the of the observance of Memorial Day than was | Fitchburg cornet band added much to the enpossible in our last, and although we have joyment of the occasion. In the evening a concert of war music was given in City Hall to an audience filling not only every seat, but every as extended descriptions as we could wish, the inch of standing room. It created an intense record is well-nigh complete. The majority of enthusiasm which culminated when, during marched to Pleasant Street Church, and listened these reports have been received directly from | the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner," the | to an address by Hon. Wm. Reed, of Taunton. THE TRIBUNE'S Post correspondents-and in old battle-flags of the Twenty-first, Twentyfifth and Thirty-fourth Massachusetts regiments were brought upon the stage by men who | cemetery, where the graves were decorated. served under them in the days which tried

by the local press, which this year ap- The fine weather at Waltham drew out unpears to have paid much greater attention to usually large crowds to witness the decoration the chronicling of Memorial Day proceedings exercises. During the forenoon, details of F. than ever before. It will be observed that the P. H. Post, No. 29, decorated the soldiers' graves in Grove Hill and Calvary cemeteries. In the afternoon, the full Post, John G. Miller, pressive in the country than in the cities, and Commander, assembled at its headquarters, that not merely the members of the Grand whence, headed by the Hyde Park band and tion of Post No. 76. Army, but many civic organizations joined in its observances. Perhaps the most conspicuous G. A. R. Cadets, Captain Charles H. Newland, feature, however, was the part which the it proceeded to the Church street cemetery, youth of the country took in the commemora- where Rev. Pr. Brosnahan, of St. Mary's church tion. The schools were everywhere closed, conducted the services. Subsequently, the line Fitchburg, the reading of a poem by Miss and the children marched in procession and of march was taken up to Mt. Blake cemetery, and the children marched in procession and where appropriate exercises were held. An assisted in the work of decoration. By an oration by Hon. E. T. Luce, formerly lieutenattentive perusal of these reports our comrades ant-colonel of the Twenty-third Maine volunmay obtain some useful hints for the observ- teers, was afterward delivered on the common. ance of the next Memorial Day, as well as A land concert in the evening concluded the

they will be more prompt in preparing and | Posts No. 42 and 120, Sons of Veterans, and forwarding their Post correspondence. THE other organizations, took part in Memorial Day TEIDUNE can scarcely be expected to print exercises in Lowell. Monument Square was decorated tastefully by the ladies of the First necounts which the postmarks show to have Universalist church, and detachments from the been mailed from ten days to two weeks after procession visited the graves at the different Framingham. burial grounds. The day was pleasant, and the procession made a good appearance. Some fine decorations were seen on the principal streets. Major E. F. Noyes was chief marshal of the procession. The following was the evening programme at Huntington Hall: Music by the No. 52 Coriena, Me. Stetson, being one of the American band; remarks by the president of held in them. towns which came under the jurisdiction of the evening, C. H. Coburn, P. C. of Post 120; this Post, was made the place for the Memorial prayer by Rev. George W. Bicknell; music, services. An address was delivered by Rev. address by Commander George H. Richardson, G. R. Palmer, of Bangor, Me., on the motto of the Grand Army of the Republic. In the evening an address was delivered at Corinna; subing an address was delive ject, "How to perpetuate the institutions our oration by Benjamin Pitman, of Marblehead; forenoon a detachment visited the cemeteries services there. comrades died to maintain." The Post wishes music, "America," by the band and audience;

The observance of Memorial Day was generally participated in by the citizens of Haver-Comrade Lewis Hatch, Wells Depot, Me., hill and Bradford. The various cemeteries writes us as fellows: On Memorial Day the were visited in the forenoon by detachments of and Bradford to the soldiers' monument, where dirges were sung by fifty children, and an address was delivered by Rev. H. E. Barnes. In the evening a large audience gathered at the City Hall to listen to the oration by Hon. John

William Logan Rodman Post, No. 1-Post Commander James L. Wilbur, 100 men-and Elijah Kallogg and an address by General C. Robert G. Shaw Post, No. 146-twenty menunited in decorating 400 graves in New Bed-At Springvale, Me., Willard Post's first ob- ford, Mass., and surrounding towns on Memoservance of Memorial Day proved a very inter- rial Day. The day was more generally obesting event. The Odd Fellows and Knights served than usual; manufactories and stores of Pythias beth turned out, and music was were closed, and over 5,000 people assembled furnished by the Limerick band. The Rev. T. on the common to hear the oration by Rev. M. Weed presided over the memorial services, and from the Revenue Marine school-ship, and Sons | music. of Veterans, numbering fourty-four, in their nest new uniform and carrying a handsome banner. The soldiers' monument on the common was decorated by the Sons of Veterans. A

concert of war songs was held in the opera house in the evening, and was a success. Memorial Day exercises were initiated by service at St. Mary's church, in Lynn, at 8 a. m., where two companies of Post No. 5 attended. Later they went to the Catholic cemeteries with the National band. Two other companies went to Nahant. The main procession formed in Park square at 1 p. m., and consisted of po-Comrade N. S. Rogers, Newport Centre, Vt., lice, the National band, companies D and I, of writes us as follows: Memorial Day was duly the Eighth regiment; Camp Garfield, No. 1, observed by T. B. Alexander Post, No. 28, with | Sons of Veterans; the Lynn brass band; Gen. appropriate coremonies. The procession formed Lander Post, No. 5; carriages with guests, disat 1 p. m., consisting of members of the Post | abled soldiers and others. The route, as preand ex-soldiers, Subbath-school children, and | viously published, was traversed, the points

were evening services at the coliseum, with Memorial Day at Beverly, Mass., was observed In Himesburg, Vt., by Cummings Post, No. 37. oration. The Post afterwards conducted G.A. band, and marched to the hall, where the serv-

R. services at the soldiers' monument. Theodore Winthrop Post, No. 35, Chelsea, Mass., turned out at 8:30 a. m., accompanied by Higgins' band, and was escorted by a file of marines and sailors to the United States Naval cemetery, where the graves were decorated. The Post then went to Woodlawn cemetery by barges and decorated the graves of 300 soldiers Colonel Goulding, of Rutland, who delivered and sailors. In the afternoon the procession went to Garden cemetery and decorated the of Music and listened to an address by Mayor Strahan, a poem by Charles O'Neil, and an oration by Rev. S. L. Gracey.

flowers or plants and a flag on each grave in rades. the several cemeteries. Shortly after noon the Post, with the Sons of Veterans and a band, escorted the city council from City Hall to Mechanic Hall, where ritual services were held. The various organizations then formed a procession and marched to the Orne street cemetery, where services were held at the soldiers' lot, in the presence of a large concourse of people. The whole number of graves decorated was 433.

Mass., had charge of the Memorial Day exercises | brated with appropriate exercises. The exerat that place. In the afternoon a procession was formed and proceeded to the town hall. where the exercises, which consisted of music, services were opened at the park by the readprayer, an address of welcome by Commander ing of Commander-in-Chief Van Dervoort's M. Beal, and an oration by Rev. G. H. De order relating to Memorial Day, by Comrade Bevoise, took place. At their completion the Tarbox, followed by singing of Keller's Amerline reformed and proceeded to the cemetery, ican hymn by a double quartette and organist, where the graves were decorated and appropriate services held.

At Wrentham, Mass., on Memorial Day, Geo. H. Maintien Post, accompanied by a detachthe G. A. R. ritual, assisted by the Sons of Vet. ment from the First Light Infantry drum erans, W. L. Ediott, captain. Com. Rev. J. W. corps, of Providence, R. I., decorated the sol. to the opera house on account of a heavy raindiers' graves in the vicinity. At Wrentham Centre eighty school children marched in the Davy, formerly major of the One Hundred and pointed lieutenant-colonel, First Division, Sons | procession. Dinner was provided at Plainville, and memorial exercises were held in the hotel there. The Rev. G. W. Porter delivered the | closed at the opera house by the singing of

W. A. Streeter Post, No. 1, Attleboro, Mass. decorated the soldiers' graves in South Attleboro, Mt. Hope, St. Mary's, Woodlawn, and other cemeteries in the vicinity on Memorial Day. Comrade E. S. Horton acted as marshal of the day, and the procession was quite im- Day, 1863, was truly a red-letter day in the posing. Public services were held in Union hall, where the Rev. Dr. A. St. John Chambre. Vt., by the veterans, some of veterans and pri- ; of Fall River, delivered the oration.

and the Common street cemetery, and, in both places, 120 graves were strewn with flowers. Rev. Mr. Rand acted as chaplain of the day. Rev. T. Burbon Smith, of the Methodist church, delivered the memorial oration in the evening at the town hall.

At an early hour General Wadsworth Post, No. 63, of Natick, sent details to place flowers on the graves of comrades at South Natick and North cemeteries. In the afternoon the Post visited Sherborn, when a service was performed at the graves of soldiers in that town. A public service was held in Concert Hall in the evening, Rev. J. W. Hamilton, of the People's church of Boston, delivering the oration. Singing was furnished by children of the public

A. W. Bartlett Post decorated 255 graves in the cemeteries in the vicinity of Newburyport At 1:30 o'clock the Post formed at its headquarters, and, escorted by the Cushing Guard and the City Cadets, with the Cadet band After services at the church the procession marched through several streets to Oak Hill

At Plymouth the procession included Collingwood Post, No. 76-A. H. Perry, Commanderand Plymouth Camp, Sons of Veterans. Addresses were made at the cemeteries and soldiers' monument by Rev. F. N. Knapp, Rev. George Tewksbury, Hon. W. T. Davis, with a Rev. W. J. Yates. There was a concert in the evening at Odd Fellows' Hall, under the direc-Post No. 90, of Danvers, accompanied by the

Sons of Veterans, high school cadets, town officers, drum corps and Haverhill band, marched to the Peabody Institute at 2 o'clock, and list-Kittie Couch and singing of hymns. At the monument brief services were held, and then the graves in the various cemeteries were dec-Special committees of Post No. 45, of Gloucester, visited the several cemeteries in the

morning and decorated the graves of their veteran comrades. In the afternoon a parade took place, in which Posts Nos. 45 and 67 participated. The line of march was to the City Hall, where an address was delivered by Past Department Commander George H. Patch, of | church the Post marched to the grave of Lieut.

The procession at Fall River was one of the finest ever seen there. Captain H. C. Cook, U. S. A., was in command, and Post No. 46-Commander J. H. Abbott-took part. The various cemeteries of the city were visited and services

#### CONNECTICUT.

in Windham and North and South Windham and decorated the graves there. The exercises consisted of prayer, singing and an address by Rev. N. C. Walker. In the afternoon the exercises were held at Williamantic. The oration was delivered by Henry L. Hall. At the conclusion of the ceremonies the members of the Post adjourned to their hall and partook of a bountiful supper.

Memorial Day was appropriately observed at Middletown, Conn., by Mansfield Post, No. 53. The oration was delivered on the previous evening in the Methodist church by Rev. I. M. Foster, Chaplain-in-Chief, of Waterloo, N. Y. It was a masterly effort. On May 30 the graves of the dead soldiers and the soldiers' monument | dinner, prepared by the families of our comwere decorated and suitable exercises held. The parade was a long and brilliant one. Special details from Mansfield Post visited Westfield and Cromwell.

Comrade G. F. Elliott, Stamford, Conn., writes us that Hobbie Post, No. 23, of that place, on Sunday morning, May 27th, attended the Congregational church and listened to an earnest sermon of Rev. Sam'l Scoville. In the evening the Post went in a body to the M. E. church, where Rev. Dr. Upham, of Drew Theological Seminary, delivered a patriotic discourse.

At New Canaan, Conn., on Memorial Day, there was a large turn out of veterans, citizens, and school children. Post Commander F. E. C. Julien. The escort of the Posts consisted of among those who delivered addresses were Dr. the N. B. City Guards, twenty-nine men; High W. G. Robinson, Francis M. Bliss, and Mr. Jno. School Cadets, forty-two boys; fourteen sailors | Light. The German glee club furnished the

At Higganum, Conn., memorial services were held. The oration was delivered by Rev. Mr. Piddock. The veterans who participated in the ceremonies were under the command of Captain Frank O. Gladwin.

## NEW YORK.

"Adjutant" writes us as follows: Monday evening, May 7, the members of Gibbs Post, No. 130, of Warsaw, N. Y., marched in a body to the Methodist church, of that village, to listen to an address by Rev. T. E. Bell, the Chaplain of the Post, but now a resident of Buffalo. on the subject "The Second Battle of Bull Run." After the Post, with visiting comrades, were seated the house was filled to overflowing by the families of the Post and public generally, and all listened with unabated interest for two hours to the graphic description of that battle by our comrade, who was there present as a soldier in the ranks, and who had carefully studied all the histories since written on that subject which were accessible to him. with impressive services by John H. Chipman | This was one of a series of free lectures which Post and John Low Camp, Sons of Vetrans. have been given from time to time for several The ladies of the Relief Corps presented the years by Gibbs Post on incidents connected with latter with a handsome silk flag, Miss Hattie or battles of the war of the rebllion, and this K. Bell making the presentation speech, to was pronounced to be of at least equal interest ices of the ritual were rendered in an impres-Johnson gave interesting incidents met with which the school boys sung several pieces. The | goodly number of applications. procession was then reformed and marched to rain storm, which began before the services were finished, but nothing was omitted from the ritual. The programme of the day was felt to be the most impressive memorial serv-Post No. 34, of Salem, by detachments, left | ice ever held here in honor of our fallen com-

Y., as follows: It was the intention of Upton Post, of this place, to decorate the grave of every soldier of the civil war in the county. The Post at Pavillion performed that duty in in that town, and Le Roy and the Post at Attica in Alexander and the southern part of Darien. Upton Post sent detachments to Alabama, Bergen, Byron, Betheny, Elba, Oakfield, Pembroke and Stafford. At Pembroke, Elba Charles H. Stevens Post, No. 53, of Leominster, and Bergen the day was observed and celecises in our village were conducted under the auspices of this Post. At 2 o'clock p. m. the which was beautifully rendered; then a dirge Reedy read a portion of the ritual appropriate to the occasion. Then a prayer by Rev. Mr. Johnson. At this time the meeting was adjourned storm. At the opera house the Hon. John M. Eighth New York infantry, delivered a most able and eloquent address. The exercises 'America" by the choir and the benediction by the Rev. M. Sanborn. A procession then went to the cemetery and decorated the graves | the Soldiers' Home, and a number of civic or-

X. P. C., of Judson Kilpatrick Post, No. 143, New York city, writes us as follows: Memorial annals of the Post. Assembling at 7:30 a.m., the Post was presented by the citizens of Har-

later the full Post assembled and marched to which Commander Reddy responded in fitting Auxiliary is about to be organized in connective Catholic cemetery on Mt. Auburn street, terms. This is the only banner of the kind tion with the Post. possessed by any New Yerk city Post. Taking passage on the L road the Post proceeded to the rendezvous for the parade at Forty-seventh street. Preceded by the little daughter of Commander W. H. Thompson, arrayed as the daughter of the regiment, the Post formed as a battalion (platoons of twelve files), with an armed guard of twelve. Its four battle flags and the two Post flags attracted universal attention. The parade over the L road was again to Trinity cemetery, 155th street and Tenth avenue, where memorial services were held in conjunction with Rice Post, No. 29, addresses being made by Hon. F. D. House, for Post No. 29, and Rev. G. W. Gallagher for Post No. 143. After decorating graves the Post and its guests

partook of refreshments by the roadside in old

campaigning style, and then paraded through

Harlem to Post headquarters for dismissal.

Commander Jos. P. Dushane, of Chismore 27th ult., and listened to discourses by the Revs. | der, of Ellicottville. W. H. Reese and Dunham. Memorial Day was a busy one for the Post. At 6 a. m. a detail decorated seven graves at North Ilion cemetery. A little later twenty-nine comrades went cemetery in that village, and listened to an eloquent oration by Rev. A. Myers, after which Past Commander Bronner and Comrade LeRoy rode, by carriage, to pay tribute to the grave of a single soldier who did gallant service in Commander Bronner's company. The detail then discourse in the church of the First parish by returned to Ilion, and, after resting, marched, fifty strong, to the village cemetery, and there strewed fourteen graves with flowers. The address of the day was delivered by the Rev. W. H. Reese. After dinner the Post visited the cemetery at Mohawk, where nineteen graves were decorated and an address made by Rev. Jas. Edmonson. The march was then taken up ened to an address by Rev. W. J. Pomfret, of to Herkimer, when another procession was met, and, after consolidation, the cemetery was then visited and a service held on the opening remarks and Rev. H. M. Danforth delivering the oration.

Comrade H. W. Halsey, Greenport, N. Y., writes that Edwin Hunting Post, No. 353, with drum corps, went to Southold Memorial Day morning, where they were met by the cornet band and escorted to the chruch, where services were held. The floral decorations included a beautiful broken column. From the Hunting, where the firing squad, under command of O. G. Hawkins, fired a salute. After decorating the graves in Willow Hill cometery the Post returned to Greenport. In the afternoon it took carriages for Orient, where services were held in the church. Mr. J. H. Young presided, and remarks were made by Prof. Russell, of New York. Afterwards the Post marched to the soldiers' monument, where memorial services were held and volleys fired by the Post squad. The comrades then called Post, of Williamantic, Conn., paid due attention | him for his gift of a fine drum. In the evening | rial Day.

Comrade C. E. L., Hunter, Green county, N. Y., writes us as follows: I was appointed correspondent of A. N. Baldwin Post, No. 262, to THE TRIBUNE some time ago. Having decided to hold Memorial Day services, all but three of the Post answered to the roll-call on the morning of the 30th. We proceeded to the two cemeteries in the village and decorated the graves of eight of our late comrades, after which we went to the Presbyterian church and listened to able add: essfrom Rev. J. P. Race, pastor of the Hunter Methodist church and Chaplain of our Post, and Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, pastor of the Presbyterian church. After the close of the services we partook of a bountiful rades, and then proceeded to Jewett Heightsa distance of eight miles-and decorated the graves of some soldiers who were buried there. and now number thirty-nine members. Five new names were sent in on Memorial Day.

Comrade Charles Thomas, Corning, N. Y., writes us as follows: Since last writing you, Rathbun Post, No. 277, has mustered twelve recruits, and have twenty applications still pending. At the request of the Post, the Rev. Mr. Bacon delivered a beautiful address on Sunday, the 27th ult., the hall being handsomely decorated for the occasion. On Memorial Day the Post assembled at 9 o'clock and proceeded to the village of Painted Post, where our last accession of comrades reside, and in the cemetery there performed the memorial service of the G. A. R. over the graves of comrades who lie buried there. Detachments were also sent to decorate the graves of soldiers in the Knoxville and Erwin cemeteries. In the afternoon we reassembled, and joining with W. W. Hoyt Post, No. 276, the Knights of Honor, Corning firemen, bands of music, &c., all under the direction of Comrade H. G. Tuthill as marshal. marched to the Corning cemetery, where fiftysix soldiers' graves were decorated.

Comrade Wm. Ruger, Conklin. N. Y., writes us as follows: Bayless Post, No. 203, of this place, observed Memorial Day, commencing at o'cleck a. m. and continuing until 5 p. m., with half hour for dinner at Post hall. We took in a circuit of fifteen miles, visited five burying grounds, held special services at three of them, decorated the graves of twelve comrades (none of whom had ever before been remembered on Memorial Day), listened to four addresses, and went home at night, happy in the thought that we had done our duty to ourselves, to our country, and to our dead comrades. One of our speakers, Comrade Mattison, was on the skirmish line at Appointation when Lee surrendered. Another member, Comrade Crandle, was the only survivor of the Custer massacre; having been detailed that morning, consequently was not in the fight.

Comrade John S. Leffingwell, Gainesville, N. Y., writes us as follows: Briggs Post, No. which Captain Charles H. Shackley made a and instruction to any that have preceded it. 301, had memorial services at three places-at fitting response. Lieutenant-Colonel Henry | Memorial Day was observed by the Post in a | East Gainesville at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; L. Parker, of the Massachusetts Division Sons | quiet and appropriate manner. At 2 p. m. a | at Gainesville Creek at 1 o'clock, and at Castile of Veterans, was presented with a regulation procession formed, consisting of the fire de- at 5 o'clock. The oration at East Gainesville sword and belt by the Camp. The memorial partment in uniform; Gibbs Post, with visiting | was delivered by A. Harrington; the address services were held in the town hall, where comrades and soldiers, and the school boys, in at Gainesville Creek by the Rev. Mr. White, of Surgeon-General Azel Ames, Jr., delivered the three companies, uniformed, led by the cornet Castile, and at Castile by Aid-de-Camp Rev. M. Gaffney, of Gainesville. Rain, which commonced about 2 o'clock, interfered with the sive manner, after which Post Commander exercises at the graveyard, and they had to be postponed until next day. Briggs Post is a by him in a recent trip to Washington, Rich- live Post. It was organized last December with mond, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, &c. | ten charter members, and at the present time | by Rev. Charles T. Coerr, of Warsaw, after members every meeting. We have also a bers seventy-eight members.

Comrade C. F. Barry, Lyndonville, N. Y., the cemetery, where the soldiers' graves, writes us that Ashby Post, No. 73, on May 27th and heartily cheered. Besides the long line of graves, and thence proceeded to the soldiers' twenty-three in number, were strewn with attended services at the M. E. church, coninfantry, there were eighty carriages in the monument, Union square, and decorated the dishanded. The return march was made in a shaft. It afterwards marched to the Academy disbanded. The return march was made in a Breed. On Memorial Day the comrades assembled in Barry's Hall and marched to the cemetery, where memorial services according to the G. A. R. ritual were conducted in an impressive manner. From the cemetery the Post proceeded to the Baptist church, where the Rev. Mr. Ackerman, of the M. E. church, delivered "Signal Corps" writes us from Batavia, N. | an eloquent address and Mrs. Martin Gilbert read an original poem. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens.

Favorable weather at Olean aided in carrying out successfully the programme arranged for Memorial Day exercises. People streamed in by the hundreds from all parts of Cattaraugus county. The procession was composed of Bayard Post, No. 222, G. A. R.; the fire department, consisting of five companies; the steamer, and the "coffee brigade;" the Select Knights, Ancient Order of United Workmen; Mayor and Common Council, beard of education, etc., the line being nearly a mile in length. The address was delivered by the Rev. J. W. Ashton, and a chorus of sixteen voices sang appropriate hymns at the cemetery.

Comrade Jacob Hoffman, J. V. C., writes us that Memorial Day was observed at Webster, by the Batavia Cornet band. Commander N. Y., by Post No. 275 in an appropriate manner. In the morning a procession marched to the cemetery and decorated the soldiers' graves there. In the afternoon the exercises, according to the rituals, took place in the Baptist church, after which Rev. J. Copeland delivered an oration. Prof. Wilcox read a poem selected from THE TRIBUNE.

> cett, commander, and Major A. C. Brundage, marshal of the day. Barry Post, No. 148, from ganizations joined in the procession. Services were held at the court-house, owing to the rain. Hon. H. Boardman Smith, of Elmira, delivered the oration.

At 12:30 o'clock a detail of Isaac B. Patten Post, No. 81, of Watertown, visited the Coolidge monument and decorated it, and a half hour manner by Hon. H. C. Calkins, ex-M. C., to Chaplain Rev. Dr. David Tully. A Ladies'

Comrade Leander P. Wilcox, Redfield, N. Y., writes us that Sidney C. Gaylord Post, No. 262, of that place, properly observed Memorial Day. The flags in the public square were at half mast and a monument was erected in memory of the departed. A procession marched to the cemetery, where appropriate exercises were held and the graves decorated.

Comrade William A. Thompson, Brooklyn, N. Y., commanded Camp No. 1, Sons of Veterans, on Memorial Day, and on their arrival at the cemetery, exhausted by the long march, furnished them with sandwiches, coffee and lemonade. The Camp turned out ninety strong | kead Post, No. 293. The graves at Beulah and made a fine appearance. Memorial Day was observed at Homer, N. Y.,

under the auspices of Babcock Post, No. 105-The memorial services were held at Glenwood cemetery in the afternoon, and in the evening Post, No. 110, Ilion, N. Y., writes us that the Post twice attended memorial services on the Congregational church by the Hon. C. P. Ved-Comrade W. H. Peterson, Brockport, N. Y., writes us that Cady Post, No. 236, of that

place, observed Memorial Day in an appropriate manner. Commander Avery conducted the to Frankford, decorated eighteen graves in the G. A. R. services. Hon. A. P. Butts was President of the Day, and General Crooks delivered Comrade J. Parmerter, Plattsburgh, N. Y., who sends us five new subscribers, writes that

> mustered on the 7th ult., now numbers sixty members, and turned out in force on Memorial Post Huntsman, of College Point, N. Y., decorated the graves at Flushing cemetery. The soldiers' monument was even more layishly decked with flowers than usual. In the

At Buffalo, N. Y., the Memorial Day services at the cemetery were interrupted by rain. church green, Hon. A. H. Prescott making the Commander John S. Bidwell, of Post 208, made the opening address, and the Rev. W. S. Hubbell delivered the oration. There was no lack

> on the 30th ult., was delivered by the Hon, A. X. Parker. It was eloquent and able. Luther Priest Post, of that place, is in a flourishing condition. Rowley P. Taylor Post, of Attica, observed

The memorial address at Norwood, N. Y.,

Memorial Day. The decoration took place in the afternoon, but rain prevented the full carrying out of the programme. The G. A. R. Post of Wyoming decorated the

graves as that place, and the Rev. J. E. Bills, of Rochester, delivered the oration. Major Stowits delivered an elaborate oration at Perry, during which he was frequently ap-

Buford Post, No. 238, of Johnsonburg, Wyoming county, decorated at Attica on Memo-

plauded by the assemblage.

at Wilson, Niagara county.

#### NEW JERSEY.

Comrade Thomas Scarlett, S. V. C., Sumner Post. No. 74, Jamesburg, N. J., writes us as follows: The Post on Memorial Day turned were decorated the line formed again and proby the public in its first memorial service.

A comrade writes us as follows: Memorial Day at Egypt, N. J., was observed with great enthusiasm by General G. K. Warren Post, No. 72, which formed in line at the Post-room at 9:30 a. m., under command of David C. Hawkins, Post Commander, and proceeded through the principal streets, headed by drums and fifes, and followed by forty young ladiesmostly the daughters of comrades-carrying banners, each bearing the name of a State: a large wagon filled with flowers came next. The Post visited five cemeteries, and decorated every comrade's grave. At the cemetery at Jacobstown an address was made by Rev. Mr. Hay; at the graves at Zion a cheering address was made by C. Harris, the Adjutant of the Post. After lunch the procession assembled in the Presbyterian church, where addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Moran, pastor of the church, and Rev. G. N. Braisted,

Chaplain of Post No. 72. Comrade Edwin J. Lloyd writes us as fol- a small American flag in the center. lows: E. D. Baker Post, No. 22, of Moorestown, N. J., had a good turn out on Memorial Day. After services at the Baptist and Episcopal graveyards, we proceeded to Colestown in wagons, led by the Medford drum corps. After service at Colestown cemetery, we joined Post of Memorial Day at that place. The comrades No. 53, of Haddonfield, and ate lunch in the of Thomas Williams Post-named after the N. J. State Building (from the Centennial). | gallant Williams who gave up his life at the Along with company C, N. J. State Guards, we | battle of Baton Rouge, La,-assembled early in proceeded to the cemetery, headed by the brass | the morning and, preceded by a band, marched band of Swedesboro and Riley's celebrated to the cemetery, where they were met by Cadets,-fifty strong,-and after listening to an | Superintendent Dillon. The cemetery, which oration from Chaplain Thomas, of Swedesboro, is beautifully located at the junction of the and an address by Rev. Mr. Young, of Haddon- Poteau and the Arkausas Rivers, is about ten field, we returned to Post No. 53, and after | acres in extent, and was originally the grave-

another lunch went back to Moorestown. Adjutant Brinly, Long Brauch, N. J., who sends us six new subscribers, writes that James D. Morris Post, No. 46, of that place, observed Memorial Day in a creditable manner. The cemeteries were visited in the morning, and in the afternoon the Post marched in procession together with Empire Lodge of Odd Fellows. three brass bands, and a large turn out of citizens, to the opera house, where Dr. S. H. Hunt, late assistant surgeon of Fifth Veteran Volunteer Corps, delivered an oration. There was a large audience present. Post No. 46 has mustered seventeen recruits since April 26th, and His remarks were followed by an able address | has about thirty. We muster from one to two | has several applications pending. It now num-

## PENNSYLVANIA.

ult., from Parker City, Pa., as follows: Memo- western district of Arkansas, was the orator of cession marched to the cemetery at Gallipolis, rial Day was duly observed in this place. Post the day, and delivered a fine address. Among where flowers were strewed and flags planted graves in this vicinity. The citizens turned out and aided very materially in the exercises. Last week Comrade W. H. Button, of Post No. 70, Corry, Erie county, Pa., with the assistance of the ladies and gentlemen of Parker, supported by Post No. 75, gave, four nights, his military drama - "True Blue; or Brother against Brother." The play is a good one and drew crowded houses, thereby replenishing the Post's relief fund.

Post No. 149, of Foxburg, Pa., also observed Memorial Day by decorating all the graves of comrades in the vicinity. The Post replenished its coffers, not long since, by having a lecture delivered by the Hawkeye man-Burdette. It was a success. They report recruiting going on steadily, seven being mustered last meeting night.

Comrade J. E. Hall, Surgeon, Colonel Biddle Post, No. 248, Emlenton, Pa., writes us that Memorial Day was observed at that place more generally than ever before. Notwithstanding the rain, a procession was formed at 9:30 a. m., in which participated the Post, Sons of Veterans and other organizations. At the cemetery an eloquent address was delivered by W. L. Riley, Esq., orator of the day. A peculiar feature was the dedication of a temporary monument to "Fallen heroes buried elsewhere." A list of those who had gone out from this vicinity had been prepared, and as a name was read by Comrade D. D. Moriarty, the Adjutant of the Post responded, giving the destination Memorial Day at Bath, N. Y., was appro- of the fallen comrade, so far as it was known, priately observed by Custer Post, James Fan- and another comrade hung for him a wreath names were thus remembered.

At Bradford, Pa., the rain interfered somewhat with the observance of the day, but about five hundred men were in line. There were

leadership of Professor Harrington. Memorial Day at Fairfield, Pa., was appropriately observed by Babcock Post, No. 258, which turned out seventy strong, and was assisted in the work of decoration by fifty boys bearing banners and fifty girls carrying flowers. In the afternoon services were held at the M. E. church, where addresses were made by Comrade F. G. Babcock, of Knoxville, and Mr. Culver. The Westfield cornet band furnished the music.

Memorial Day services were conducted at Houtzdale, Pa., under the auspices of Kinwere decorated in the morning, with the assistance of the school children, the Rev. Wm. Gemmiel delivering the address. In the afterorganizations took part in the parade. At Blairsville, Pa., memorial services were

conducted by Finley Patch Post. The graves were decorated in the morning and in the afternoon there were public exercises at the Silver Maple Hotel, where addresses were delivered by Revs. Miles and McMasters. Comrade Jos. Moorhead recited an original poem. The Telephone Publishing Company of Grove City, Pa., published "The Memorial Dick Morris Post, under command of Comrade

programme for the day at Grove City, the De- lot. A line of march was then formed for the Walter H. Benedick Post, No. 366, which was lished annually. Post No. 198 observed Memorial Day at Honesdale, Pa., with appropriate ceremonies.

On the Sunday preceding, the Rev. Mr. Richard of the M. E. church, delivered an eloqueut discourse in the presence of the Post. afternoon there was a brilliant parade of the About 300 school children took part in the observance of Memorial Day at Apollo, Pa. The services took place at the cemetery, Capt. graves of fallen heroes for the first time in this

G. W. Fleeger, of Butler, delivering the ora-Memorial Day was duly observed at Mahanoy City, Pa., by Severn Post, No. 111. The Silliman Guards, a number of benevolent societies and the fire company joined in the proces-

# DELAWARE.

The soldiers' graves in the cemeteries at Dover, Del., were beautifully decorated on Memorial Day. Public services were held in of Hillsboro. Our Commander, P. D. Matthews, the afternoon, John Klingler, Commander of Torbett Post, No 3, delivering the address. A parade through the town followed. Among the organizations in line were Torbett and Woodall Posts, companies E, of Wyoming, and D, of Dover, of Second battalion. Delaware volunteer militia, and the Robbins Hose Company. A feature of the procession was a floral monument eight feet high, mounted on a car, and in the carriages were flower girls, dressed in white, with blue sashes, and the ladies of the Post Aid Society. One of the flags in line was General A. W. Bishop delivered the oration the corps flag of company F, First Delaware. Ottawa, and a recitation of one of Wm. Carlthe graves at Whatcoat cemetery.

#### VIRGINIA.

"Adjutant," of T. F. Meagher Post, No. 3, National Soldiers' Home, Va., writes us that out about thirty strong, preceded by a fife and Memorial Day was observed at that place. drum corps. Following came six little girls | Special Orders, No. 27, issued by the Governor dressed in white, bearing a large flag stretched of the Home, directed that all labor, as far as over poles, on which was laid a number of practicable, should be suspended, and that all handsome flower pieces. After them marched | members of the Home able to walk should ap- | No. 255, on the 27th ult. attended divine servnearly one hundred school children, the boys | pear in line. The first call for parade was at 7:15 | ices at the Presbyterian church, Rev. Mr. Ralscarrying flags and the girls bunches of flowers. a. m. The order of procession was the Woodfin Citizens on foot and in carriages brought up Guards, who acted as escort to the Post; German rial Day. At 6 a. m. on that day details decothe rear. In this order the procession pro- Benevolent Society, and battalion of inmates, rated the graves in the outlying cemeteries, ceeded to Fernwood cemetery, where the Post | headed by the Home band, and under command opened ranks, and the children passed forward of Governor P. T. Woodfin. The procession the afternoon a procession was formed, consistto the graves. Your correspondent then read | proceeded to the National cemetery, where the | ing of the Post, young ladies, children, exthe ritual address and Chaplain Shone the graves were decorated and a dirge played. soldiers and others, and proceeded to the town We were organized a little over one year ago prayer. The children very beautifully sang There was no prayer nor any oration. Upon cemetery, where the G. A. R. ritual was gone 'We mourn our Nation's dead." After graves returning to the Home the veterans found that through with, and Mayor Janson, in a nest Shaw and Caillons Posts, of Norfolk, and Platt speech, introduced John McSweeny, Esq., of ceeded to the Presbyterian church, where an Post, of Portsmouth, had arrived. A detail Wooster, Ohio, who delivered an eloquent oraeloquent oration was delivered by Rev. B. S. from Meagher Post escorted them to the ceme- tion. Other speeches were also made and choice Everitt., Summer Post feels much pleased and | tery. Department Commander Woodfin made | music rendered by a selected choir. encouraged with the general interest displayed a few remarks. Rev. E. H. Bolden, colored, offered a prayer and Isacc Worcomb delivered an address. In the afternoon an address was delivered by George Z. Pryor, colored, which

# FLORIDA.

were conducted under the auspices of James A. | no mistakes marring the solemnities of the oc-Garfield Post, No. 2, escorted by the Third ar- casion. The Odd Fellows, soldiers and citizens tillery, of Barraneas, and the Marine guard of joined with us and the ceremousies were quite the navy yard. Services were held at the impressive. Our citizens are patriotic and the National cemetery at Barrancas, Department | next generation is being educated to any emer-Commander L. W. Rowley presiding. Addresses | gencies that may call for self-sacrifice. were made by Colonel J. P. Jones, Hon. S. C. Scott and W. W. Wharton. The Sons of Veterans carried a new and beautiful Post banner in front of the Post.

served by M. B. Woolsey Post, No. 1, and Gar- John Crossman Post, of Paulding Center, parfield Post, No. 2. The comrades appeared in ticipated with Scott Post, numbering over 100 full uniform, and each carried a bouquet with | members, in the duties of the day. Hiesland

## ARKANSAS.

writes us at length concerning the observance | teachers. vard of the old fort. In 1867 it was made a national cemetery. The roll of the dead buried there is as follows: Union officers known, 25: unknown, 1. Union soldiers (white) known, 539; unknown, 972. Union soldiers (colored) known, 44; unknown, 3. Confederate soldiers known, 6; unknown, 119. About seventy-nine of the Regular army are buried there, the remainder being volunteers chiefly from Kansas and Arkansas, though there are many from Iowa, Indiana (Second battery), Illinois and Ohio, and a few from Wisconsin and Colorado. The ladies of Fort Smith, with their escerts. attended the memorial exercises at the cemetery and strewed the flowers with lavish hands. The most handsomely decorated monument delivering the oration. The Arion Club furwas that erected to the memory of the Confed- nished the music. erate officers Generals McIntosh and A. E. Steen and the unknown Confederate dead. The risl exercises in Gallia county, Ohio, were con-Hon. J. C. Packer, formerly member of Con- ducted by Blessing Post, No. 126, of Gallipolis, R. P. Black writes us, under date of the 31st gress, but now judge of the U. S. court for the assisted by Corwin Post, No. 259. A large prothose present were Col. Du Val, Col. Bourne, by fifty little girls dressed in white. About Col. Cravens, Capt. Little and other prominent 4,000 people then marched to the court-house,

ex-Confederate staff officers. Memorial Day was duly observed in Little Rock, Ark., on the 30th ult. by McPherson Post, and the graves of the Federal and Confederate dead were alike strewn with flowers. Fred Steele Post, No. 101, at Conway, was well represented. The occasion was one long to be remembered, and was much enjoyed by all who participated. Many bitter recollections of the past received a mellowing sentiment and a brotherly feeling was engendered between the and stripes for head and neck wear. The pubex-soldiers of both sides.

## KENTUCKY.

Comrade E. H. H. Beyland writes us that the rain interfered to some extent with the observance of Memorial Day at Covington, Ky., under the auspices of Garfield Post, No. but, nevertheless, several thousand persons witnessed the decoration of the graves at Linden Grove cemetery. In the procession to the cemetery Garfield Post turned out fifty strong. The Garfield Juniors were also in line, as well as Nelson Post, comrades of Joe Hooker Post, and Captain Gunn's Ellsworth Camp, No. 1, Sons of Veterans. About 150 men were in | served Memorial Day with appropriate services. line, all uniformed.

## OHIO.

Comrade George C. Jenkins, Washington C. H.,

Ohio, writes under date of the 30th ult. as follows: To-day the annual honors were paid to our upon the temporary monument. Thirty-six dead comrades by our G. A. R. Posts, our militia and our citizens. On account of the rain the oration, which was the best ever heard in our place, was delivered in Music Hall, instead of at the cemetery, as intended. The programme at delegations from S. C. Noyes Post, No. 232, Elli- the hall at 1 o'clock was as follows: Invocation. cottville, N. Y., Alexander Bird, Commander, | Chaplain Dean; dirge, Sixth regiment band; Comrade W. A. Miller writes us that at Os- and Aiken Post, No. 238, Henry M. Adams, oration, by Rev. H. D. Moore, of Cincinnati; wego, Post O'Brien, No. 65, observed Memorial | Commander. The memorial services were held | music, by the band; poem, by Mrs. Lucy Ramlem with an elegant blue silk Post banner, (G. Day after the usual custom. In the morning in the opera house, where addresses were de- scy; "Anid Lang Syne," by comrades, band us that Dick Cheatem Post, No. 317, mustered

livered by Dr. H. A. Page and Colonel A. K. and audience. The procession then formed and McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times. | marched to the cemetery in the following order: One of the most interesting features was the Sixth regiment band; company B. Sixth regisinging of "Muffle each Drum," by fifty young | ment O. N. G.; John W. Bell Post, No. 119, led girls, all clad in white, with sashes, under the by our own martial band, with over one handred uniformed comrades in line; Wm. Anderson Post (colored), No. 244, in uniform; large decorated wagon with little girls; flower wagon citizens in carriages, &c., for the purpose of decorating the graves. Our Post was formed in five platoons, each platoon escorted by a file of eompany B, and accompanied by a detachment of Wm. Anderson Post and a squad of boys with wreaths and flowers, proceeded with the decoration, after which both Posts were formed around a cenotaph in the grove of the cemetery, and the ceremonies then concluded by decornting the cenotaph and firing over it a salate in honor of our unknown dead.

Comrade Morris Burns, Gallon, O., who sends us five new subscribers, writes us as follows: Memorial Day proper, May 30th, was observed noon there was a grand procession. The Post here with more than usual pomp and cere-turned out forty-three strong and all the civic mony, under the auspices of Dick Morris Post. No. 130. The G. A. R. paraded in full uniform at 1 o'clock, headed by the Galion City band and a delegation of little girls, marched to the cemetery, where a large number of people assembled through a drenching rain to witness the ceremonies, which were of an impressive character. The little girls, assisted by the members of the Post, strewed the flowers upon the graves of our fallen heroes. After the ceremonies were concluded a detachment from Day," a bright-looking sheet, containing the Angell, fired three rounds over the soldiers' partment Commander's general order relating | City Opera Hall, where the ceremonies of the thereto, memorial poetry, &c. It will be pub- G. A. R. were concluded. Prof. M. Manley, superintendent of Galion public schools, and Rev. E. A. Stone delivered appropriate and eloquent addresses. The singing was conducted by the Galion male chorus, and was a very high order of excellence. The exercises closed by all singing "America."

C. P. K. writes us from Leesburg, O., as follows: Joe Henly Post, No. 303, decorated the (Fairfield) township. There were universal regret that the weather was so unfavorable for carrying out the extensive arrangements made to observe Memorial Day by the old soldiers and citizens. Our memorial services were a grand success in every particular. The Post decorated the soldiers' graves in the forenoon, marching to the cemetery in a body. We were furnished with elegant music by the Leesburg brass band. At 2 p. m. we marched to the M. E. church, which had been handsomely decorated by the ladies of the village, where we listened to a splendid speech from Mr. Sloan, deserves great credit for the successful management of the Post on Memorial Day.

Memorial Day was observed at Gilbea, Ohio, the surrounding country to participate in decowith appropriate ceremonies. Notwithstanding the rain large numbers of people came from rating the graves. In the afternoon exercises were held in the church, when, after music by the Pendleton cornet band, services according to the G. A. R. ritual were held. Then followed a prayer by chaplain, music by Gilbon Vocal Club, a very able speech by T. C. Kipkins, of eton's poems by Miss Ida Vaughn. After the exercises in the church an adjournment was had to Harmon cemetery, where the decorating services was performed by a number of little girls, and a volley fired by the gun squad of the G. A. R. of that place. A number of distinguished gentlemen were present, among whom was noticed Gen. A. V. Rice, of Ottawa,

Comrade B. F. Ridgely, Post Commander, Jeromeville, Ohio, writes us that Elliott Post, ton, pastor, and also properly observed Memoand reported at the Post room at 10 a. m. In

Comrade J. Hunt, Swanton, Ohio, writes us as follows: Post No. 189 of, this place, which now has thirty-six members, held its first Memorial Day service on the 30th ult. Notwithstanding the rain the attendance was very large. Good speeches were made by the M. E. pastor; Mr. Miller; Mr. Scott and Colonel M. R. Braily. The ceremonies, according to the ritual, were At Pensacola, Fla., the Memorial Day services | neatly carried out by Commander Wm. Geyser,

A comrade writes from Van Wert, O., as follows: Scott Post, No. 100, having made all necessary arrangements, duly observed Memorial Day. The people assembled from all points At Warrington, Fla., Memorial Day was ob- of the compass, and our city was crowded. band discoursed appropriate music for the occasion. The fire company and National Guards turned out in full uniform and added much to the procession. The graves were decorated by Comrade Samuel Peters, Fort Smith, Ark., 400 school children under the command of the

> Comrade Frank J. Lovett, Wapakonets, Ohio, writes as follows: Memorial Day was observed here under the auspices of Kyle Post, No. 41. In spite of the inclemency of the weather, a large gathering of people was in attendance. The procession, headed by Grand Marshal Col. G. W. Andrews, consisted of the Wapakenets cornet band; company G, Eleventh regiment, O. N. G., commanded by Captain F. C. Layton; Kyle Post, Andrew Kholer, P. C.; Deluge fire company, No. 1; Sabbath schools, citizens on foot and in carriages. Colonel Field, of Indianapolis, Ind., delivered an elequent oration

> at the cemetery. The Memorial Day exercises at Springfield, Ohio, were conducted by Mitchell Post. The procession to the cemetery was quite imposing, in the line, under Chief Marshal Putnam, being company A, Seventh regiment, O. N. G., the Whitely Guards, Busheel Guards, Fifth battery, light artillery, and a number of civic organizations. The rain poured down in torrents, but the programme was carried out at the cemetery, State Auditor John F. Oglevee

Comrade J. F. Vaughn writes us that memowhere the exercises consisted of music and prayer and a fine oration by Comrade Col.

Coates Kinney, of Xenia, Ohio. At Fairfield, Ohio, desnite the rain, Ben Rutterfield Post observed Memorial Day in accordance with the original programme. In the procession to the cemetery were a number of civic organizations and a band wagon containing about forty young misses, most of whom were dressed in white, with a good display of stars lie exercises took place at the City Hall, where the Hon. J. F. Follett, of Cincinnati, delivered

the oration. Memorial Day services at Medina, Ohio, were conducted by H. G. Blake Post, over ninety members of which turned out in the procession. After the graves in the cemetery had been decorated, J. H. Greene, president of the day, read the names of the soldiers of the place buried elsewhere, and wreaths were hung on a cross to their memory. The oration was de-

livered by Hon. N. W. Goodhue, of Akron. Comrade B. F. Tanquary, New Holland, Ohio. writes that W. C. Fergusson Post, No. 254, ob-Mrs. M. E. Furgusson, after whose husband the Post was named, and her daughters presented the Post with a new flag. Commander W. H. Kennedy made an appropriate speech of thanks. In the evening the Hon. Schuyler

Colfax lectured for the benefit of the Post. Comrade W. M. Barus, Williamsburgh, Ohlo writes that J. H. Jenkins Post, No. 244, of that place, which now numbers 112 members, visited the three cemeteries in that vicinity on Memorial Day, notwithstanding the stormy weather, and decorated the soldiers' graves. The Adjutant of the Post being absent, the

Sergeant-Major filled his place. Comrade J. C. Griggs, Beverly, Ohio, writer